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EO 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: ALLEGATION OF KIDNAPPING ATTEMPT

1. DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND COMMONWEALTH POLICE HAVE ADVISED THE EMBASSY THAT THE YUGOSLAVIAN AMBASSADOR IN CANBERRA HAS REPORTED A POSSIBLE KIDNAPPING ATTEMPT OF AMBASSADOR HARGROVE BY CROATIAN ELEMENTS IN AUSTRALIA AS A PROTEST AGAINST THE JAILED CROATIAN SKYJACKERS IN THE UNITED STATES. IT IS ALSO NOTED THAT CROATIAN NATIONAL DAY IS NOVEMBER 29 AND IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THERE WILL BE CROATIAN DEMONSTRATIONS IN SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

2. SOURCE IS NOT CONSIDERED PARTICULARLY RELIABLE AND HAS BEEN KNOWN TO STIR UP TROUBLES CONCERNING CROATIAN ELEMENTS IN AUSTRALIA PREVIOUSLY.

3. AMBASSADOR HARGROVE IS PRESENTLY IN HOBART AND HAS BEEN NOTIFIED THAT THE POLICE WILL BE CONTACTING HIM IN HOBART CONCERNING THIS POSSIBLE THREAT. THE POLICE ARE PROVIDING PROTECTION FOR THE AMBASSADOR. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS AVAILABLE.

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